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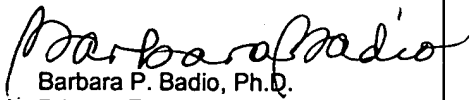
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1. ☐ The amendment filed on 06 July 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

*An amendment to claim 11 was made by Examiner's Amendment (see Examiner's Amendment attached hereto).*

  
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### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Gautam Prakash on July 26, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 11 has been rewritten as follows: --

Claim 11. Compounds or their salts having the following general formula (I):



wherein:

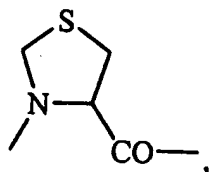
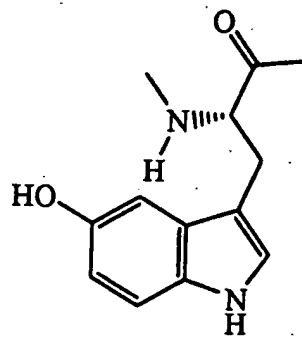
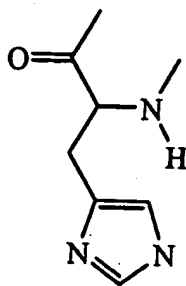
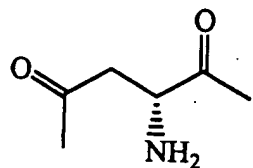
A = R-T<sub>1</sub>, wherein:

R is the radical of a drug having formula R-T<sub>1</sub>-H or R-T<sub>1</sub>-OH selected from the group of anti-inflammatory drugs consisting of acetylsalicylic acid, 5-aminoacetylsalicylic acid, carprofen, diclofenac sodium, diflunisal, etodolac, flufenamic acid, flunixin, flurbiprofen, ibuprofen, indomethacin, indoprofen, ketoprofen, ketorolac, lornoxicam, loxoprofen, meclofenamic acid, mefenamic acid, meloxicam, mesalamine, naproxen, niflumic acid, olsalazine, piroxicam, salsalate, sulindac, suprofen, tenoxicam, tiaprofenic acid; tolfeamic acid, tolmetin, zomepirac, and tomoxiprol;

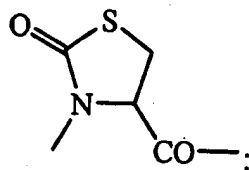
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 $T_1 = (\text{CO})$  or  $X$  wherein: $X = \text{O}, \text{S}, \text{N}, \text{NR}_{1\text{C}}$  wherein: $R_{1\text{C}}$  is  $\text{H}$  or a linear or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$  alkyl; $\text{B} = -\text{T}_\text{B}-\text{X}_2-\text{T}_{\text{B}1}-$  wherein: $\text{T}_\text{B}$  and  $\text{T}_{\text{B}1}$  are equal or different, and $\text{T}_\text{B} = (\text{CO})$  when  $\text{T}_1$  is  $X$ , $\text{T}_\text{B} = X$  when  $\text{T}_1$  is  $(\text{CO})$ ,  $X$  being as above defined; $\text{T}_{\text{B}1} = (\text{CO})$  or  $X$ ,  $X$  being as above defined,

$\text{X}_2$  is a bivalent bridging group between  $\text{T}_\text{B}$  and  $\text{T}_{\text{B}1}$ , wherein  $-\text{T}_\text{B}-\text{X}_2-\text{T}_{\text{B}1}-$  is selected from the group consisting of



and



and

 $\text{T}_\text{C} = (\text{CO})$  when  $\text{T}_{\text{B}1}$  is  $X$ , or $\text{T}_\text{C} = X$  when  $\text{T}_{\text{B}1}$  is  $(\text{CO})$ ,  $X$  being as above defined, $Y$  is  $Y_0 =$  an alkyleneoxy group  $\text{R}'\text{O}$  wherein $\text{R}'$  is linear or branched  $\text{C}_1$  to  $\text{C}_{20}$  alkyl.

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***Telephone Inquiry***

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Barbara P. Badio, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-0609. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 6:30am-4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sreenivasan Padmanabhan can be reached on 571-272-0629. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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